

REMARKS

In the Outstanding Office Action mailed on 08/09/2007, the applicants have been required to elect one of the following groups:

5 I. Claims 1 -31, 41 -45, 47-48; and
II. Claims 32-40, 46.

By virtue of this response, new claim 49 is sought to be added. The addition of the claim is believed not to introduce new matter and its entry is respectfully requested.

Applicant elects group I of claims (i.e., 1-31, 41-45, 47-48) without traverse.

10 All objections and rejections are believed to be overcome. Examination of claims 1-31, 41-45 and 47-49 is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned representative at 707.356.4172 if it is believed that an interview might be useful for any reason.

Respectfully submitted,
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